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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Responsive to the Restriction Requirement mailed September 19, 2003, consideration of the following remarks is respectfully requested.

REMARKS

Claims 20-26, 30-33, 35 and 36 are pending in the application and have been restricted under 35 U.S.C. § 121 into the following two groups:

Group I : Claims 20-26, 32, 33 and 35, drawn to a conjugate or method of treating a cardiovascular disease using a peptide selected from SEQ ID NOS: 2, 3, 4, 9, or 10; and

Group II : Claims 31 and 36, drawn to a conjugate comprising a peptide of any length or a length less than 100 amino acids.

The Examiner requests that one of the groups of claims be elected for examination. Applicants note that claim 34 was not restricted as part of the present Office Action. Applicants assume this was inadvertent on the Examiner's part and that claim 34 is considered to be in Group I. Although the restriction requirement is traversed for the reasons set forth below, Applicants elect the claims of Group I, claims 20-26 and 32-35, for examination.